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MIGUEL O'HARA WAS A YOUNG GENETICS GENIUS EMPLOYED AT THE MEGACORPORATION ALCHEMAX IN THE FUTURE CITY OF NUEVA YORK! ONE OF HIS EXPERIMENTS--TO REPLICATE THE POWERS OF THE PRESENT-DAY SPIDER-MAN--WAS TURNED AGAINST HIM AND REWROTE HIS DNA TO MAKE IT 50 PERCENT SPIDER! AFTER LEARNING HOW TO USE HIS AMAZING NEW ABILITIES, MIGUEL BECAME...

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LYLA HERE, MIGUEL O'HARA'S LYRATE LIFE-FORM APPROXIMATION HOLOGRAPHIC ASSISTANT. MIGGY'S CAUGHT IN ANOTHER STICKY SITUATION, SO LET'S GET YOU UP TO SPEED QUICKLY.
SPIDEY RECENTLY TRACKED THE EXTREMISTS RESPONSIBLE FOR PLACING HIS GIRLFRIEND IN A COMA TO THEIR HEADQUARTERS, WHERE THEY WERE WORKING ON A TIME MACHINE OF THEIR OWN. THE ENSUING INCIDENT LEFT HIM TRAPPED IN 2099 AND A PRISONER OF THE SINISTER SIX!
WITH THE HELP OF ALLIES (INCLUDING ROBERTA MENDEZ, THE CAPTAIN AMERICA OF 2099, WHO IS ALSO TRAPPED IN YOUR TIME), MIGGY MANAGED TO ESCAPE BACK TO YOUR TIME.
BUT WHEN CAPTAIN AMERICA LEARNED ABOUT THE STATE OF THE FUTURE, SHE JUMPED THROUGH THE TIME DOOR TO RESCUE HER FAMILY, ASKING MIGUEL TO STAY BEHIND IN CASE SHE NEEDED GROUND SUPPORT FROM YOUR DECADE.
SHORTLY AFTER CAP LEFT, MIGUEL GOT WORD THAT ULYSSES, A YOUNG INHUMAN WITH THE ABILITY TO SEE THE FUTURE, HAD HAD A VISION OF ROBERTA CAUGHT IN THE CLUTCHES OF 2099'S MOST NOTORIOUS VILLAINS.
SO AS THE CAVALRY, MIGGY WENT BACK TO 2099 TO SAVE THE DAY AND OF COURSE IT'S NOT GOING AS PLANNED...

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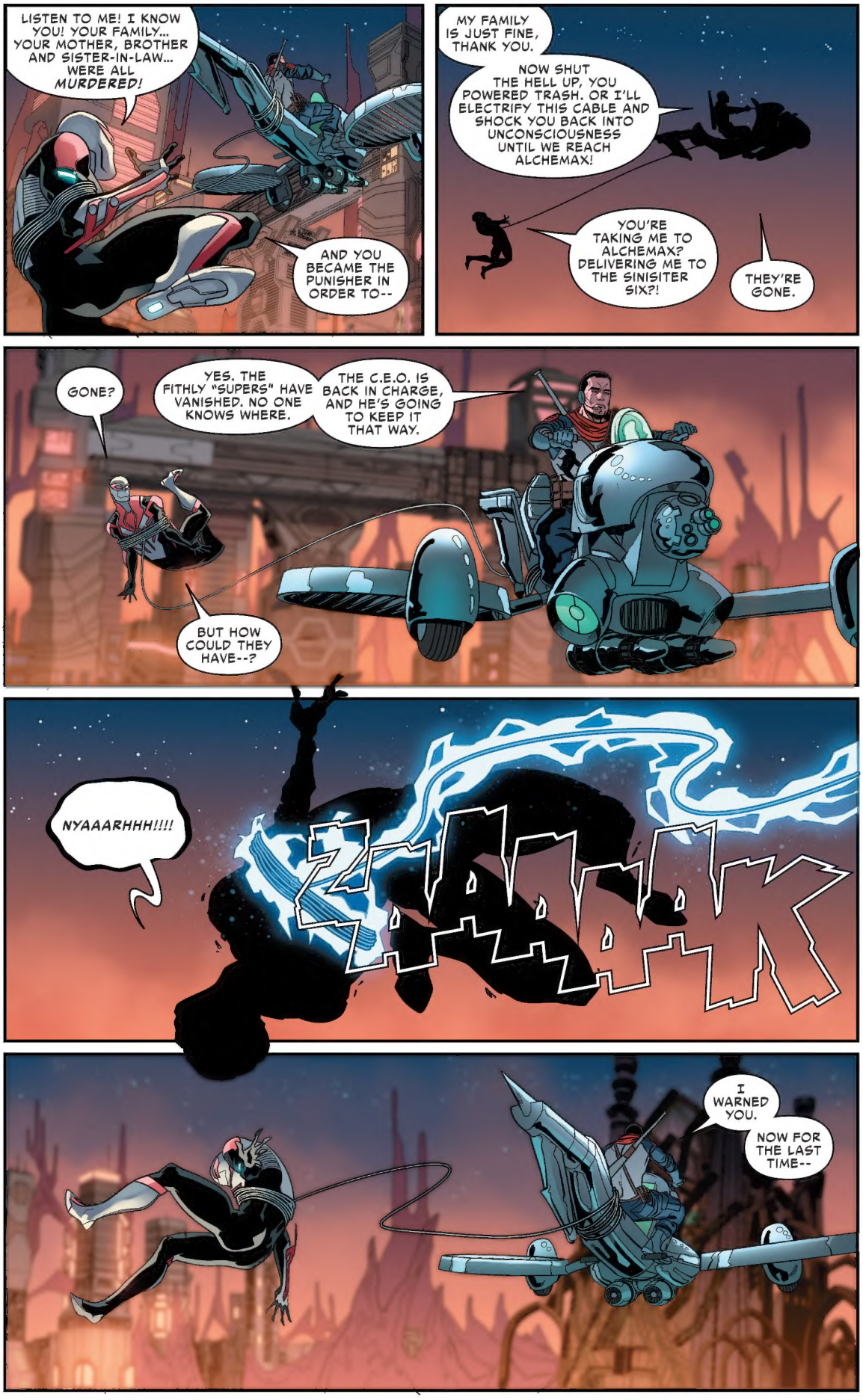
WHA- WHERE AM...?
JUST STAY STILL, SPIDER-MAN. THIS WON'T TAKE LONG.
THE SHOCK--?!
GALLOWS? IS THAT YOU?!
HOW DO YOU KNOW ME?
I'VE FOUGHT BESIDE YOU, FOR GOD'S SAKE! YOU'RE THE PUNISHER!
I HONESTLY HAVE NO IDEA WHAT YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT.
2099. SOMEWHERE ABOVE NUEVA YORK.


LISTEN TO ME! I KNOW YOU! YOUR FAMILY... YOUR MOTHER, BROTHER AND SISTER-IN-LAW... WERE ALL MURDERED!
AND YOU BECAME THE PUNISHER IN ORDER TO--
MY FAMILY IS JUST FINE, THANK YOU.
NOW SHUT THE HELL UP, YOU POWERED TRASH. OR I'LL ELECTRIFY THIS CABLE AND SHOCK YOU BACK INTO UNCONSCIOUSNESS UNTIL WE REACH ALCHEMAX!
YOU'RE TAKING ME TO ALCHEMAX? DELIVERING ME TO THE SINISITER SIX?!
THEY'RE GONE.
GONE?
YES. THE FITHLY "SUPERS" HAVE VANISHED. NO ONE KNOWS WHERE.
THE C.E.O. IS BACK IN CHARGE, AND HE'S GOING TO KEEP IT THAT WAY.
BUT HOW COULD THEY HAVE--?
NYAAARHHH!!!!
ZZZAAAK
I WARNED YOU.
NOW FOR THE LAST TIME--

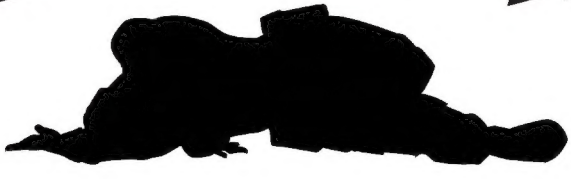
BRAKOWWW
WHAT THE HELL?!
MAYDAY! MAYDAY!
REPORT, GALLOWS.
STRUCK BY SOME SORT OF ENERGY BLAST! TRYING TO REGAIN CONTROL!
LOCK ONTO MY LOCATION AND SEND REINFORCEMENTS!
UNH! UNNNNNHH--!!
GOT IT!!!
AND I'VE GOT YOU.

ZERO COCHRANE!
MY ACTUAL NAME IS KENSHIRO. ONLY MY FRIENDS CALL ME ZERO.
AND THE PUBLIC EYE BOYS LIKE YOU THAT I'VE KILLED...
YOU ALL CALL ME GHOST RIDER.
I'VE KIND OF COME TO PREFER THAT NAME.
LET SPIDER-MAN GO. NOW. WHILE YOU STILL HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE A CHOICE.
BURNING

THIS, RIGHT HERE, IS WHY WE'RE GETTING RID OF ALL YOU SO-CALLED "SUPERS."
YOU'RE CRIMINALS, THE LOT OF YOU! ATTACKING A PUBLIC EYE OFFICER IN THE MIDST OF PERFORMING HIS DUTIES...!
ZWAAAKOW
EXPLAINING YOUR DESIRE TO OBLITERATE US IS JUST WASTING BOTH OF OUR TIME.
ZERO
JUST REMEMBER, YOU COULD HAVE SURRENDERED.
SSSHHHHHHHK
HNH!
OOOOFFF!

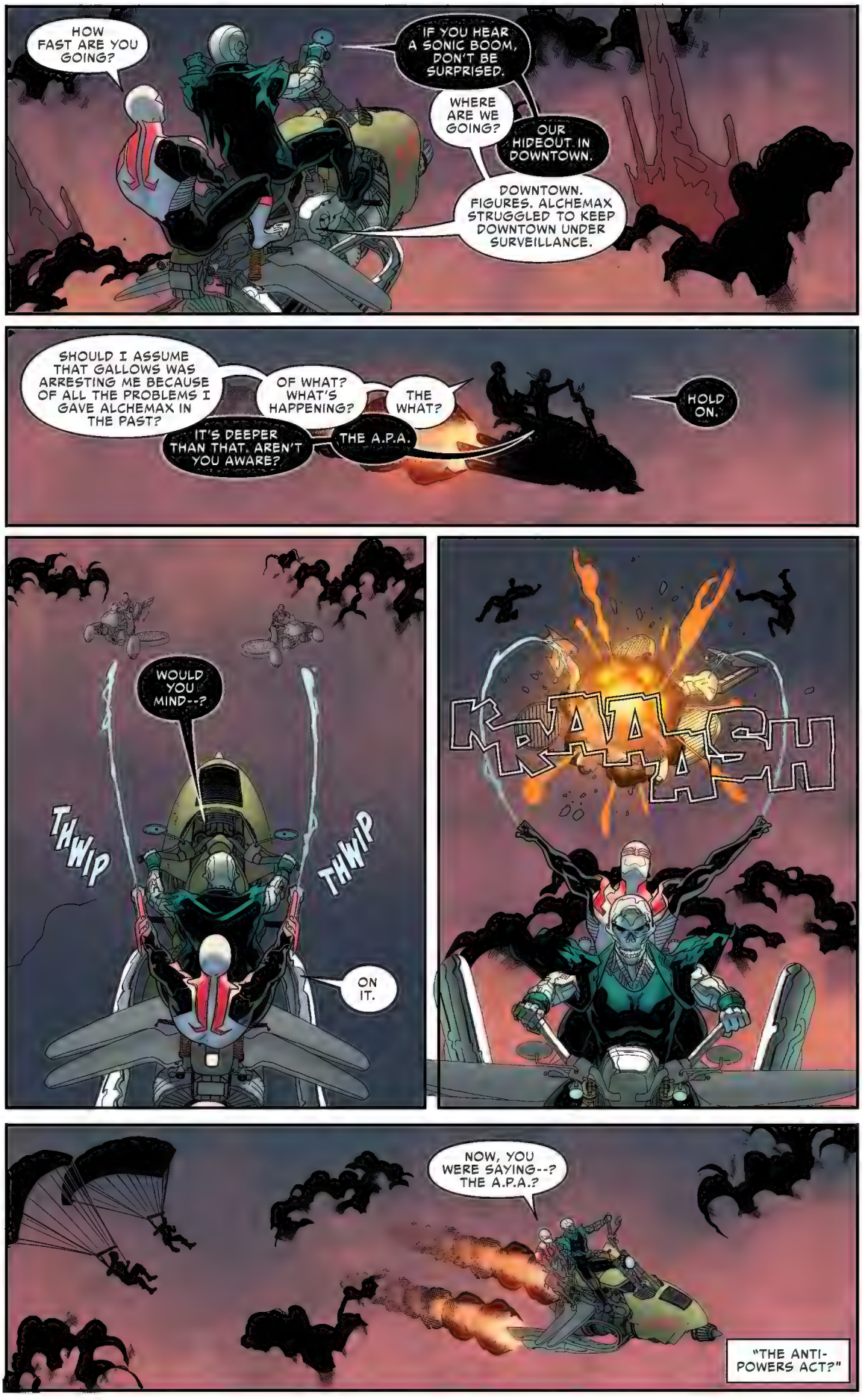
COME ON, RIDER! LET'S SEE WHAT YOU'VE GOT!
WHAT THE--?
HI.
PROBLEM?
WAAAM
BURNING
YOU'RE LUCKY I TRANSFORMED IT BACK INTO A HAND.
OOOOOFFF!

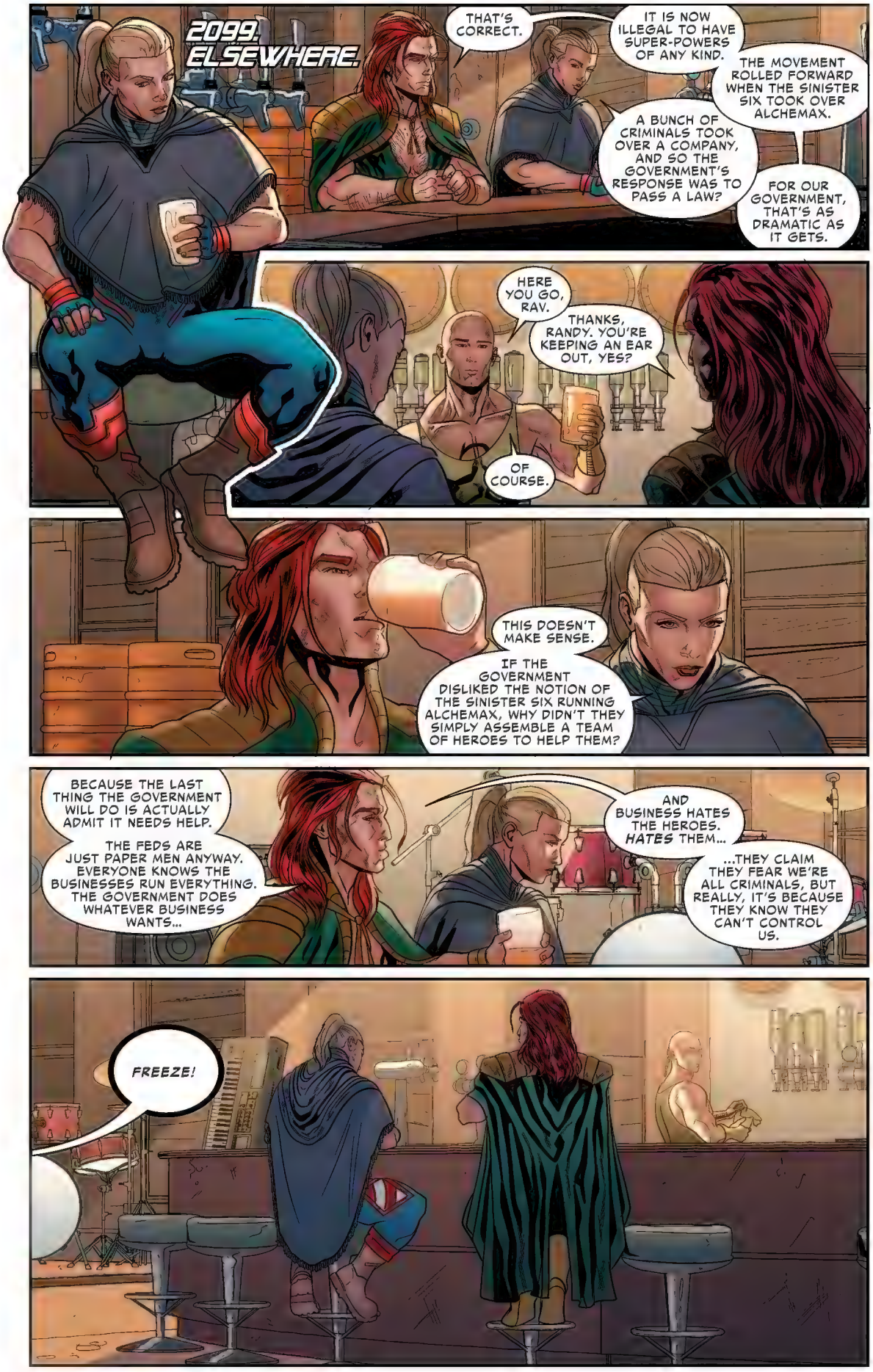
WUUUMF



I WARNED HIM.
YOU HEARD ME WARN HIM.
I DID.
GHOST RIDER?
YEAH. S-MAN?
THAT'S MY NICKNAME, YES.
THANKS FOR THE SAVE.
MY HONOR AND PLEASURE.
WE TAP ALL THE PUBLIC EYE TRANSMISSIONS. WHEN GALLOWS TOLD HOME BASE HE HAD YOU, WE HAD TO INTERVENE.
WHO'S WE?
THE ONES WHO ARE LEFT.
UH-OH. WE HAVE COMPANY.
IT SHOULDN'T TAKE TOO LONG TO DESTROY THEM ALL.
GALLOWS OBVIOUSLY SUMMONED REINFORCEMENTS.
OR WE COULD JUST, Y'KNOW... LEAVE.
RUN FROM A FIGHT! ARE YOU MAD?
JUST NOT SEEING THE NEED FOR MORE BLOODSHED.
IT'S A DOZEN FEWER PUBLIC EYE SOLDIERS TO ATTACK US!
RIDER... PLEASE...
MY GOD... HE'S GOING TO ATTACK ME.
WHATEVER GENEROUS IMPULSE PROMPTED HIM TO SPARE GALLOWS, THAT'S NOW OBVIOUSLY GONE.
THE QUESTION IS, WHO'S GOING TO TAKE ME DOWN FIRST? THE PUBLIC EYE OR MY ROBOTIC SAVIOR?

FINE.
GET ON THE CYCLE.
YES.
ON THE--?
THIS...
...IS THE GREATEST VEHICLE...
...EV-ER.
I'M DRIVING.
YOU CAN RIDE SHOTGUN.
AWWWW...
DEAL WITH IT. AND HOLD ON.
WHOOOAAAA...
ZERO

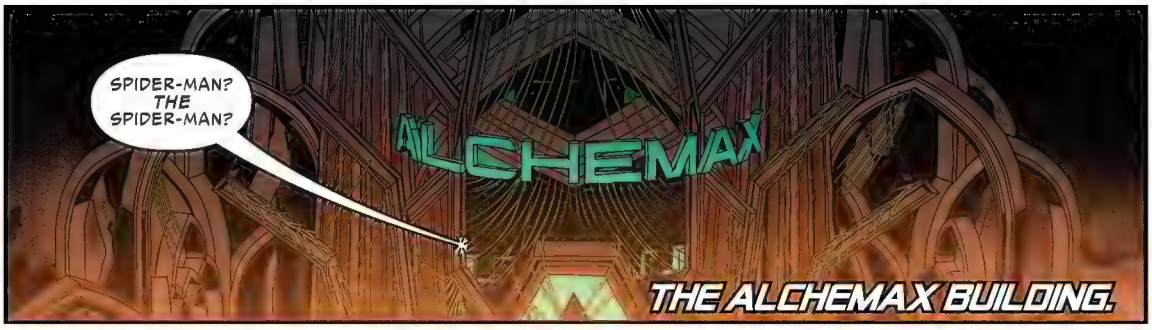

HOW FAST ARE YOU GOING?
IF YOU HEAR A SONIC BOOM, DON'T BE SURPRISED.
WHERE ARE WE GOING?
OUR HIDEOUT IN DOWNTOWN.
DOWNTOWN. FIGURES. ALCHEMAX STRUGGLED TO KEEP DOWNTOWN UNDER SURVEILLANCE.
SHOULD I ASSUME THAT GALLOWS WAS ARRESTING ME BECAUSE OF ALL THE PROBLEMS I GAVE ALCHEMAX IN THE PAST?
OF WHAT? WHAT'S HAPPENING?
THE WHAT?
IT'S DEEPER THAN THAT. AREN'T YOU AWARE?
THE A.P.A.
HOLD ON.
WOULD YOU MIND--?
THWIP
THWIP
ON IT.
KRAAAKEN
NOW, YOU WERE SAYING--? THE A.P.A.?
"THE ANTI-POWERS ACT?"


2099. ELSEWHERE.
THAT'S CORRECT.
IT IS NOW ILLEGAL TO HAVE SUPER-POWERS OF ANY KIND.
THE MOVEMENT ROLLED FORWARD WHEN THE SINISTER SIX TOOK OVER ALCHEMAX.
A BUNCH OF CRIMINALS TOOK OVER A COMPANY, AND SO THE GOVERNMENT'S RESPONSE WAS TO PASS A LAW?
FOR OUR GOVERNMENT, THAT'S AS DRAMATIC AS IT GETS.
HERE YOU GO, RAV.
THANKS, RANDY. YOU'RE KEEPING AN EAR OUT, YES?
OF COURSE.
THIS DOESN'T MAKE SENSE.
IF THE GOVERNMENT DISLIKED THE NOTION OF THE SINISTER SIX RUNNING ALCHEMAX, WHY DIDN'T THEY SIMPLY ASSEMBLE A TEAM OF HEROES TO HELP THEM?
BECAUSE THE LAST THING THE GOVERNMENT WILL DO IS ACTUALLY ADMIT IT NEEDS HELP.
THE FEDS ARE JUST PAPER MEN ANYWAY. EVERYONE KNOWS THE BUSINESSES RUN EVERYTHING. THE GOVERNMENT DOES WHATEVER BUSINESS WANTS...
AND BUSINESS HATES THE HEROES. *HATES* THEM...
...THEY CLAIM THEY FEAR WE'RE ALL CRIMINALS, BUT REALLY, IT'S BECAUSE THEY KNOW THEY CAN'T CONTROL US.
FREEZE!

PUT YOUR HANDS IN THE AIR.
SLOWLY. VERY SLOWLY.
THERE A PROBLEM HERE, OFFICERS?
YOU'RE HOSTING SOME ILLEGALS, SIR. PLEASE GO BACK BEHIND THE BAR.
THAT'S GOING TO PRESENT A BIT OF A PROBLEM. THEY HAVEN'T PAID THEIR BILL YET.
SIR, WE HAVE TO INSIST THAT YOU--
WAKOWW
OUT THE BACK! YOUR RIDE SHOULD BE HERE ANY SECOND!
RIDE? WHAT RIDE? SHOULDN'T WE HELP?
I'VE GOT THIS. YOU NEED TO GO!
YOU HEARD THE MAN. LET'S MOVE.
WHO THE SHOCK IS THAT KID?!
LOCAL ENFORCER. GOES BY THE NAME OF IRON FIST.
DOES GOOD WORK.
WELL, MAKE SURE YOU GIVE HIM MY THANKS...

SO WHERE IS THIS RIDE HE WAS TALKING ABOUT?
LOOK UP.
NAME'S HAWKEYE.
POPULAR NAME.
WHO'RE YOU?
CAPTAIN AMERICA.
RIGHT BACK AT'CHA, THEN.
SO, NOW WHERE TO?!
TO OUR CAR. WE TRY TO STAY MOBILE. MAKES US HARDER TO FIND.
IS THAT A FACT?
WHAT?!
YUP. JUST AHEAD.
YOU MUST BE JOKING.
THAT DOESN'T GET NOTICED?
THIS IS DOWNTOWN. A TENTH OF THE POPULATION LIVES IN OLD RVs. SOME ARE RUNNING AND SOME ARE JUST BROKEN DOWN, SITTING AT CURBSIDES FOR YEARS.
WONDERFUL.
BY THE WAY, JUST FOR FUTURE NOTICE: I CAN FLY.
YOU HAVE WINGS?
ON-BOARD GLIDERS.
THEN YOU GLIDE. BIG SHOCKIN' DEAL.

UHM... WOW.
"WOW" INDEED. AT LAST, A WOMAN WHO SEEMS AS IF SHE WILL BE A MATCH FOR THE MIGHTY HERCULES.
A FEMALE. OF COURSE, HERCULES IS HITTING ON HER.
IGNORE HIM. WE ALL DO.
TO THINK THAT I, A FORMER PRINCE OF THE REALM, AM REDUCED TO THIS.
CRAM IT, ROMAN. NO ONE IS INTERESTED.
YOU TELL HIM, CEREBRA.
YOU SHUT UP, TOO, HULK.
SO WHAT'S YOUR STORY?
I'M LOOKING FOR A MAN. HARRY MENDEZ.
WHO IS HE? FORMER LOVER? GENERAL DIRTBAG? BOTH?
MY HUSBAND, ACTUALLY. I HAVE HIS PHONE NUMBER, BUT I'VE NO IDEA WHERE HE IS.
WELL, THEN...
LET'S FIND HIM.


SPIDER-MAN? THE SPIDER-MAN?
ALCHEMAX
THE ALCHEMAX BUILDING.

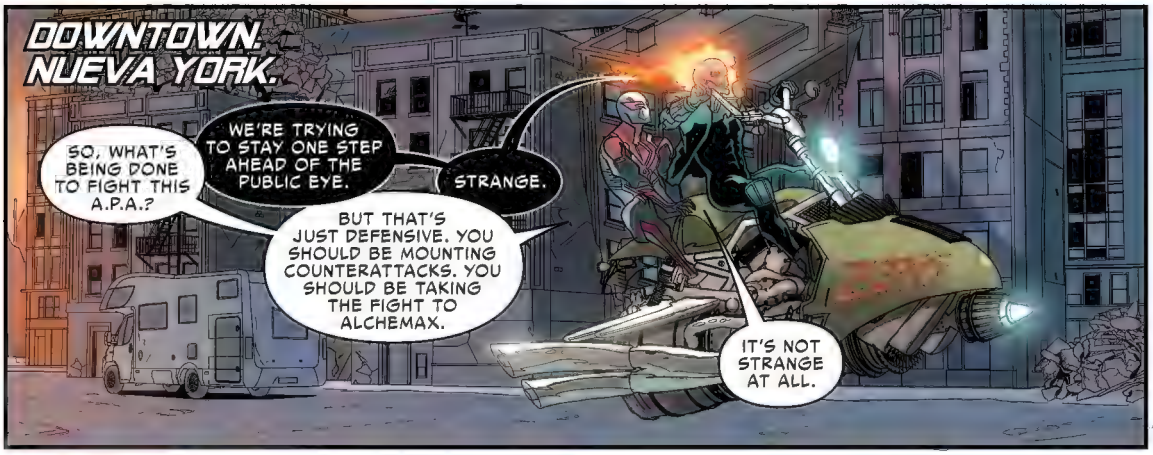
I'M REASONABLY SURE IT WAS, SIR.
WHICH ONE? OURS? OR THE EARLY 21ST CENTURY?
I... BEG YOUR PARDON?

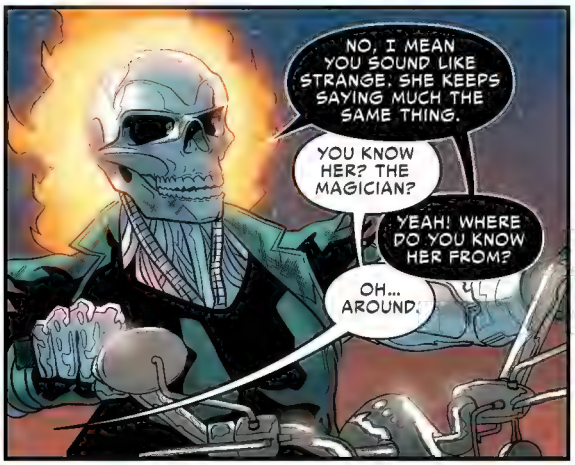
HE'S BEEN KNOWN TO TIME TRAVEL. DID HE SEEM TO KNOW HIS WAY AROUND?
HONESTLY, HE SEEMED A BIT CONFUSED AS TO WHAT WAS GOING ON. HE THOUGHT I WAS SOMEONE ELSE. HE CALLED ME...
PUNISHER.
THAT'S INTERESTING. THAT'S *VERY* INTERESTING.

THE A.P.A. IS AN EXCELLENT FIRST STEP, BUT MORE HAS TO BE DONE.
I LOST ALCHEMAX TO THOSE SINISTER VULTURES ONCE. I WON'T LET IT HAPPEN AGAIN.
HEROES, VILLAINS...THEY'RE ALL THE SAME. THEY HAVE POWERS SO THEY ALL THINK THEY CAN DO WHATEVER THEY WANT.
SOMETHING NEEDS TO BE DONE, AND WE CERTAINLY CANNOT COUNT ON THE PRESIDENT OR ANY OF HIS FLUNKIES TO ATTEND TO IT.
GALLOWS...
YES, SIR.

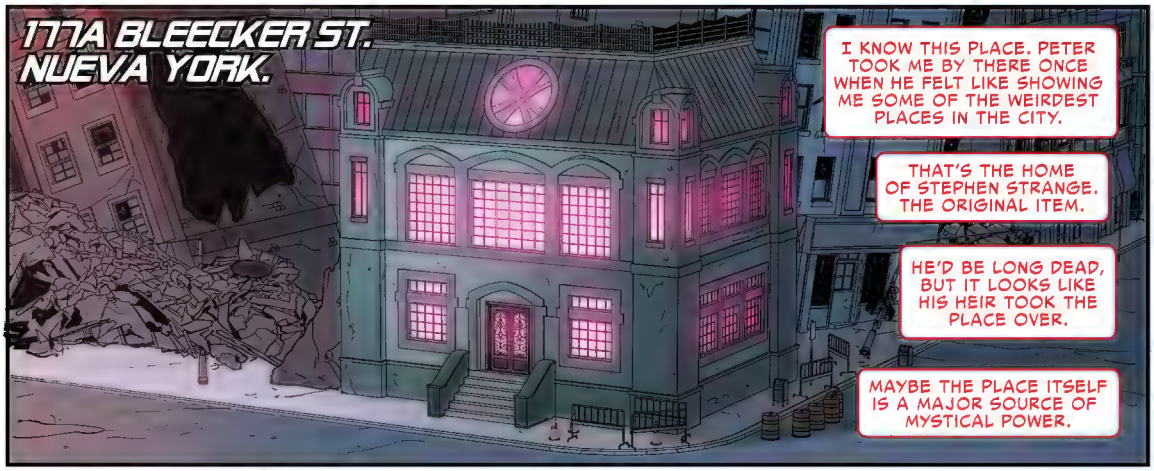
SEND FOR *THE FAMILY.*
THE FAMILY, SIR? BUT THEY'RE...
I KNOW WHAT THEY ARE. HOWEVER, THEY UNDERSTAND THE WAY THE WORLD RUNS. THEY WILL COOPERATE.
GET THEM.

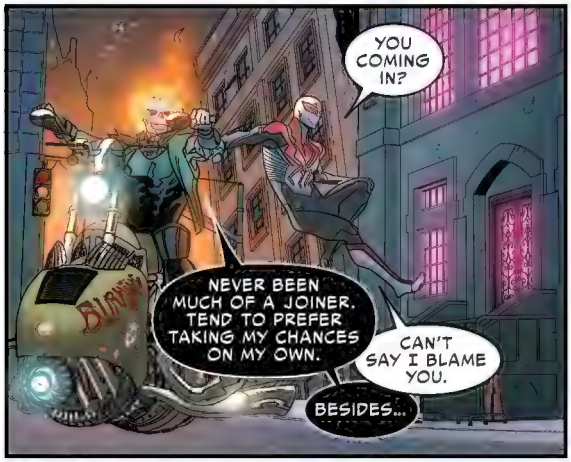
RIGHT AWAY, SIR.

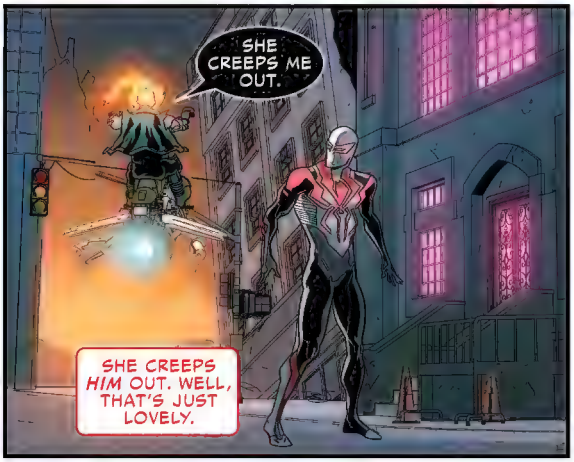

DOWNTOWN.
NUEVA YORK.
SO, WHAT'S BEING DONE TO FIGHT THIS A.P.A.?
WE'RE TRYING TO STAY ONE STEP AHEAD OF THE PUBLIC EYE.
STRANGE.
BUT THAT'S JUST DEFENSIVE. YOU SHOULD BE MOUNTING COUNTERATTACKS. YOU SHOULD BE TAKING THE FIGHT TO ALCHEMAX.
IT'S NOT STRANGE AT ALL.


NO, I MEAN YOU SOUND LIKE STRANGE. SHE KEEPS SAYING MUCH THE SAME THING.
YOU KNOW HER? THE MAGICIAN?
YEAH! WHERE DO YOU KNOW HER FROM?
OH... AROUND.

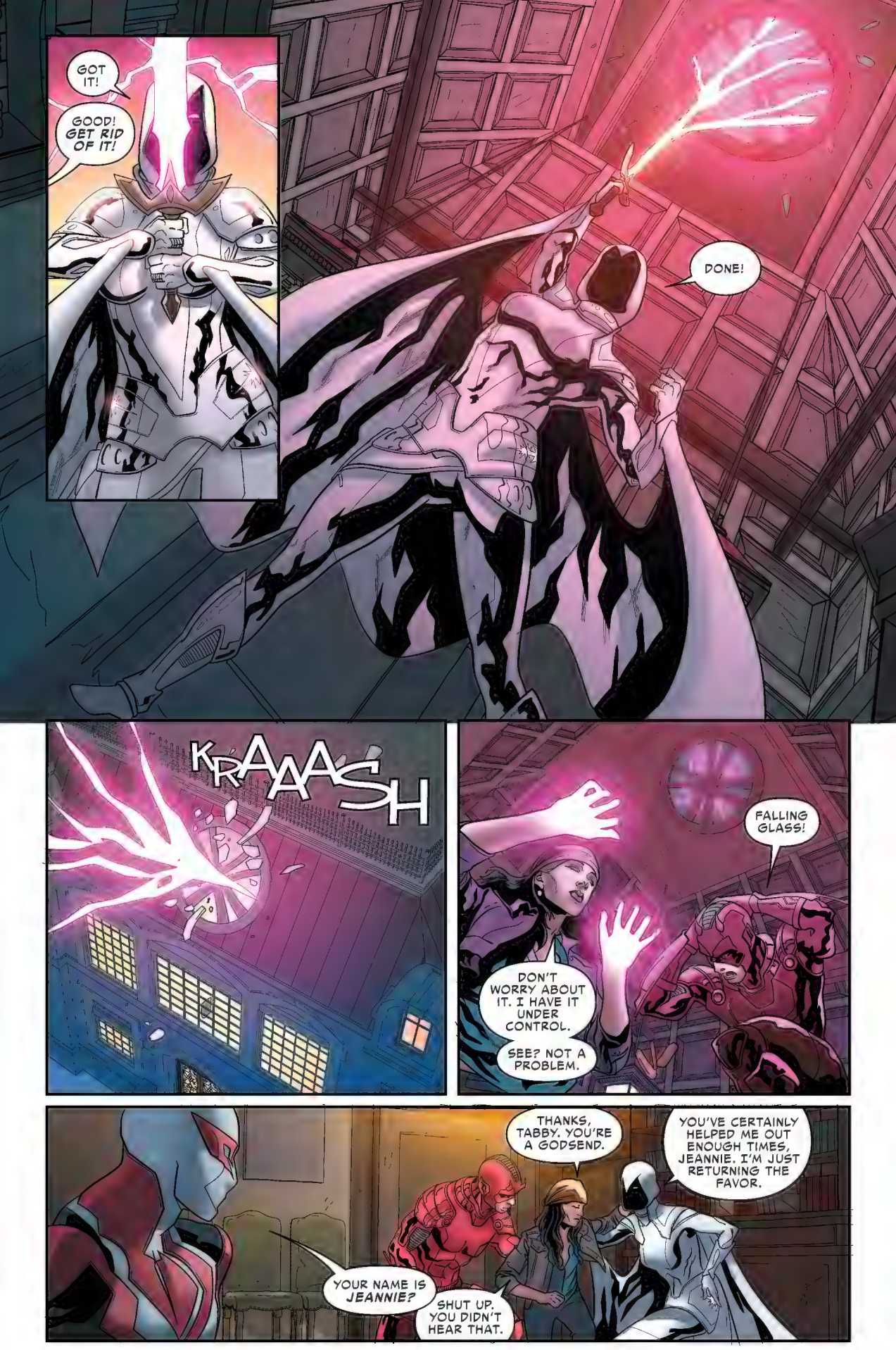
WELL, THAT'S WHERE SHE HANGS HER HAT, IF YOU WANT TO SAY HI.
NEEDED TO DROP YOU OFF SOMEWHERE ANYWAY.


177A BLEECKER ST.
NUEVA YORK.
I KNOW THIS PLACE. PETER TOOK ME BY THERE ONCE WHEN HE FELT LIKE SHOWING ME SOME OF THE WEIRDEST PLACES IN THE CITY.
THAT'S THE HOME OF STEPHEN STRANGE. THE ORIGINAL ITEM.
HE'D BE LONG DEAD, BUT IT LOOKS LIKE HIS HEIR TOOK THE PLACE OVER.
MAYBE THE PLACE ITSELF IS A MAJOR SOURCE OF MYSTICAL POWER.


YOU COMING IN?
NEVER BEEN MUCH OF A JOINER. TEND TO PREFER TAKING MY CHANCES ON MY OWN.
CAN'T SAY I BLAME YOU.
BESIDES...


SHE CREEPS ME OUT.
SHE CREEPS *HIM* OUT. WELL, THAT'S JUST LOVELY.

DOOR'S OPENING BY ITSELF. OKAY, THAT IS CREEPY.
HELLO? STRANGE?
IT'S SPIDER-MAN.
EX...EXCUSE ME A MOMENT... I'M...
...IN THE MIDDLE...OF SOMETHING...
WHAT THE BLOODY HELL?!
HI. NAME'S SAM. THEY CALL ME DAREDEVIL.
STRANGE HERE HAS A DEMON HALF, AND MOON KNIGHT IS USING HER SOUL-SWORD TO GET RID OF IT.
WANT A HOT DOG?
UH...NO THANKS.


GOT IT!
GOOD! GET RID OF IT!
DONE!
KRAAASH
FALLING GLASS!
DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT. I HAVE IT UNDER CONTROL.
SEE? NOT A PROBLEM.
THANKS, TABBY. YOU'RE A GODSEND.
YOU'VE CERTAINLY HELPED ME OUT ENOUGH TIMES, JEANNIE. I'M JUST RETURNING THE FAVOR.
YOUR NAME IS JEANNIE?
SHUT UP. YOU DIDN'T HEAR THAT.

SPIDER-MAN, I ASSUME?
NEW COSTUME.
DO YOU LIKE IT?
NO.
I DON'T CARE.
THEN WHY DID YOU ASK?
...
MOON KNIGHT. TABITHA, ACTUALLY.
BIG FAN.
I'M THRILLED. WHAT JUST HAPPENED HERE? SHE HAS A "DEMON HALF"...?
I DID, FOR THE LONGEST TIME.
BUT TABBY HERE HAS ACCESS TO CERTAIN POWERS THROUGH HER NEWLY ACQUIRED SOUL-SWORD.
SHE WAS FINALLY ABLE TO EXTRACT IT AND TRAP THE DEMON WHERE IT CAN'T HURT ANYONE AGAIN.
AND THAT WOULD BE...?
THE MOON.
YEAH, SHOULD'VE SEEN THAT COMING.
LOOK, JEA--
CAREFUL.
LOOK, STRANGE, I'M LOOKING FOR SOMEBODY. SHE GOES BY THE NAME OF CAPTAIN AMERICA.
I'M TRYING TO SAVE HER FROM SOMETHING BAD.
HOW BAD?
IT'LL SOUND STUPID...I CAN'T EVEN BELIEVE I'M SAYING IT OUT LOUD...
...BUT IT'S SOMETHING THAT SOME INHUMAN KID FROM BACK IN 2016 TOLD ME...
ULYSSES? WAS HIS NAME ULYSSES?
MY GOD. HOW DID YOU...?

I CAN'T GET INTO IT. IT'S TOO DANGEROUS FOR YOU TO KNOW THE FUTURE.
BUT I'M FROM THE FUTURE...
GOOD POINT.
LISTEN, ULYSSES' VISIONS WERE KNOWN TO BE HELPFUL, BUT THEY CAME AT A PRICE... ULTIMATELY...THEY WERE VERY...DIVISIVE... BAD THINGS HAPPENED.
WHAT BAD THINGS?
THAT I CAN'T TELL YOU. JUST DON'T GET MIXED UP WITH ULYSSES.
I'M SORRY, BUT THAT'S NOT GOOD ENOUGH! I NEED TO FIND HER!
YOU MUSTN'T.
LOOK, I WAS HOPING YOU COULD HELP ME, BUT IF YOU CAN'T OR WON'T, THEN FORGET IT...!
FINE. BUT THEN YOU HAVE TO HELP ME.
TO DO WHAT?
TO STRIKE BACK AT ALCHEMAX OVER THE A.P.A.
WE HAVE TO DRAW A LINE IN THE SAND.
ALCHEMAX
"WE HAVE TO SAY TO THEM:
"ENOUGH."
IT HAS TO BE ENOUGH.
THESE COSTUMED FREAKS HAVE TO BE TAUGHT A LESSON, ONCE AND FOR ALL.
AND YOU ARE THE ONES WHO I BELIEVE ARE UNIQUELY QUALIFIED TO DO IT.
I WANT TO TAKE THIS OFF THE PUBLIC EYE'S PLATE.
YOU'LL WORK CLOSELY WITH S.H.I.E.L.D. TO GET THE JOB DONE.
THE QUESTION IS: CAN I COUNT ON YOU?

ABSOLUTELY, SIR.
YOU CAN COUNT ON *POWER PACK* TO GET THE JOB DONE.
TO BE CONTINUED...

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